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**To:** Chair, Southwest Area Zone Coordinating Groups  
Center Manager, Southwest Area Zone Dispatch Centers

**From:** Chair, Southwest Coordinating Group

**Subject:** Interagency Fire Restriction and Closure Decision Check List

The Prevention & Information Committee has prepared an Interagency Fire Restriction and Closure Decision Checklist. The primary purpose of this checklist is to ensure that restrictions and closures are considered on an interagency basis prior to implementation.

The Checklist covers a number of topics with an emphasis on interagency coordination and communication. The form can be accessed on the SWCC Webpage under forms ([http://gacc.nifc.gov/swcc/management\\_admin/policy\\_reports/policy\\_reports.htm](http://gacc.nifc.gov/swcc/management_admin/policy_reports/policy_reports.htm) ).

The Southwest Coordinating Group requests that zone boards utilize this checklist as a means to coordinate the implementation of fire restrictions and closures within the Southwest Geographic Area. If you have any questions please contact Fred Hernandez at [fhernandez@fs.fed.us](mailto:fhernandez@fs.fed.us) or (505) 842-3804.

Sincerely,

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